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MEASURE OF ACCOMMODATION TO LIKELY ROMANIAN SUGGESTIONS FOR
MODIFICATIONS. REFERENCES TO AGREEMENTS ON DOUBLE TAXATION,
FISHERIES AND CIVIL AVIATION ARE CONTINGENT ON CONCLUSION
OF THOSE AGREEMENTS. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE
THIS TEXT WITH ROMANIAN AMBASSADOR BOGDAN.

2. "JOINT STATEMENT BY PRESIDENT NIXON AND PRESIDENT
CEAUSESCU FOLLOWING THEIR MEETING ON DECEMBER 4-5, 1973

I

AT THE INVITATION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA, RICHARD NIXON, THE PRESIDENT OF THE
SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF ROMANIA, NICOLAE CEAUSESCU,
ACCOMPANIED BY MRS. CEAUSESCU AND THEIR PARTY, IS PAYING
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A STATE VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES. AFTER THEIR STAY IN
THE CAPITAL, DECEMBER 4-5, 1973, PRESIDENT AND MRS.
CEAUSESCU AND THEIR PARTY ARE TO VISIT SEVERAL PLACES OF
INTEREST IN OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTRY, REMAINING IN THE

UNITED STATES UNTIL DECEMBER 10, 1973.

"THE TWO PRESIDENTS MET IN A CORDIAL, CONSTRUCTIVE AND FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE, WHICH PROVIDED THE OPPORTUNITY FOR A USEFUL AND COMPREHENSIVE DISCUSSION OF THE PRINCIPAL INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS OF CURRENT CONCERN. THEY CONSULTED IN A SPIRIT OF FULL AND MUTUAL RESPECT. IN ADDITION TO ROMANIAN-UNITED STATES RELATIONS, THE WIDE RANGE OF SUBJECTS DISCUSSED INCLUDED EUROPEAN SECURITY, THE MIDDLE EAST, ASIA, THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY AND TRADE SITUATION, AND OTHERS.

II

"THE TWO PRESIDENTS SOLEMNLY REAFFIRMED THEIR ATTACHMENT TO THE PURPOSES AND PRINCIPLES OF THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER. GUIDED BY THE DESIRE TO CONTRIBUTE STILL FURTHER TO THE CAUSE OF PEACE, SECURITY AND COOPERATION, THE TWO PRESIDENTS EXPRESSED THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE FOLLOWING PRINCIPLES AS THE BASIS FOR THE RELATIONS BETWEEN THEIR COUNTRIES AS WELL AS THEIR RELATIONS WITH OTHER STATES, REGARDLESS OF THEIR POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SYSTEMS OR LEVEL OF DEVELOPMENT.

THEY ARE AGREED THAT THE DEVELOPMENT OF NORMAL RELATIONS IS BASED ON THE INDEPENDENCE, SOVEREIGNTY AND EQUALITY OF ALL STATES.

THEY ARE AGREED THAT SUCH RELATIONS REQUIRE SCRUPULOUS OBSERVANCE OF NON-INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF ANOTHER STATE.

THEY ARE AGREED THAT DISPUTES BETWEEN STATES SHOULD BE SETTLED BY PEACEFUL MEANS.

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THEY ARE AGREED ON THE RENUNCIATION OF THE THREAT OR USE OF FORCE AGAINST THE TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OR POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE OF ANY STATE, OR IN ANY OTHER MANNER INCONSISTENT WITH THE PURPOSES OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

THEY ARE AGREED THAT THE DEVELOPMENT OF MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS MAKES A POSITIVE CONTRIBUTION TO NORMAL RELATIONS BETWEEN STATES.

"THE TWO PRESIDENTS NOTED THE CONTINUING PROGRESS TOWARD RELAXATION OF INTERNATIONAL TENSIONS AND TOWARD AN ERA OF NEGOTIATION RATHER THAN CONFRONTATION. THEY WELCOMED THE NEW OPPORTUNITY FOR INCREASING PARTICIPATION

BY ALL INTERESTED STATES IN THE RESOLUTION OF ISSUES WHICH ARE ESSENTIAL TO THE FURTHER IMPROVEMENT OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.

"THE TWO SIDES STRESSED THEIR JOINT DETERMINATION TO COOPERATE WITH EACH OTHER AND WITH OTHER STATES TO STRENGTHEN THE ROLE AND EFFICIENCY OF THE UNITED NATIONS AS AN INSTRUMENT FOR MAINTAINING INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY. THEY UNDERLINED THE IMPORTANCE OF MEANINGFUL DISARMAMENT AND ARMS CONTROL MEASURES TO WORLD PEACE AND STABILITY AND NOTED WITH SATISFACTION THE PROGRESS BEING MADE.

III

"PRESIDENTS NIXON AND CEAUSESCU DEVOTED PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO THE CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS ON EUROPEAN SECURITY AND COOPERATION AND ON MUTUAL REDUCTION OF FORCES AND ASSOCIATED MEASURES IN CENTRAL EUROPE. THEY EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT INCREASED SECURITY WOULD LEAD TO CONFIDENTIAL

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CLOSER RELATIONSHIPS AMONG SOVEREIGN PARTICIPANTS IN THIS PROCESS.

"THE TWO PRESIDENTS EXPRESSED THEIR SATISFACTION WITH THE AGREEMENT WHICH BROUGHT PEACE O VIETNAM AND CALLED FOR SCRUPULOUS ADHERENCE TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE ACCORD. THEY EXPRESSED THEIR CONCERN WITH THE SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST. THEY EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE THEY ATTACH TO CURRENT EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE A JUST AND LASTING PEACE.

IV

"THE TWO PRESIDENTS RECALLED WITH SATISFACTION PRESIDENT NIXON'S STATE VISIT TO ROMANIA IN 1969 AND PRESIDENT CEAUSESCU'S VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES IN 1970 AND NOTED THE IMPROVEMENT IN RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY DURING THE PERIOD SINCE THEIR MEETINGS. THEY STRESSED THE VALUE OF PERSONAL CONTACTS AND REAFFIRMED THEIR COMMITMENT TO DEEPEN AND EXPAND CONSULTATIONS AT VARIOUS LEVELS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES AS WELL AS THROUGH NORMAL DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS.

"THEY EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH THE CONTINUING GROWTH OF ROMANIAN-AMERICAN ECONOMIC RELATIONS. CHIEFLY AS A RESULT OF THE MEASURES TAKEN BY BOTH SIDES IN RECENT YEARS TO FACILITATE AND PROMOTE TRADE AND INVESTMENT, THEY NOTED THAT COMMERCE BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES HAS TRIPLED SINCE 1969. THE TWO PRESIDENTS EXPRESSED THEIR INTENTION TO TAKE FURTHER MEASURES TO ENCOURAGE THE

EXPANSION OF TRADE AS WELL AS INDUSTRIAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION. THEY ENDORSED, IN PARTICULAR, SUCH FORMS OF COLLABORATION AS JOINT VENTURES AND JOINT RESEARCH BETWEEN ENTERPRISES AND INSTITUTIONS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES. THEY NOTED WITH SATISFACTION THE ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE UNITED STATES AND ROMANIA CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE OF A JOINT ROMANIA-US ECONOMIC COUNCIL.

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"DURING THE VISIT, AGREEMENTS WERE CONCLUDED WHICH WILL FACILITATE ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL RELATIONS: A TREATY ON DOUBLE TAXATION; AN AGREEMENT ON FISHERIES; AND AN AGREEMENT ON CIVIL AVIATION.

"THE TWO PRESIDENTS NOTED THE MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL EXPANSION OF CULTURAL AND SCIENTIFIC EXCHANGES THAT HAS TAKEN PLACE AND STRESSED THEIR IMPORTANCE IN PROMOTING UNDERSTANDING AND FRIENDSHIP AMONG PEOPLES. THEY SUPPORTED THE DEVELOPMENT OF EVEN CLOSER LINKS IN THE FIELD OF CULTURE, THE ARTS, SPORTS AND INFORMATION, AND THROUGH EXPANDED TRAVEL AND CONTACTS BETWEEN THEIR CITIZENS. BOTH SIDES EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH THE ACTIVITIES OF THE ROMANIAN LIBRARY IN NEW YORK AND THE AMERICAN LIBRARY IN BUCHAREST IN ACQUAINTING EACH OTHER'S PEOPLES WITH THE CULTURAL VALUES OF THEIR COUNTRIES. IN ADDITION, THEY NOTED THE IMPORTANCE OF THE BONDS OF FRIENDSHIP AND FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS TO THE FAVORABLE DEVELOPMENT OF RELATIONS TO THE TWO COUNTRIES.

"PRESIDENT CEAUSESCU AND PRESIDENT NIXON EXPRESSED THEIR BELIEF THAT THE CONTINUED DEVELOPMENT OF FRIENDLY RELATIONS BETWEEN ROMANIA AND THE UNITED STATES, BASED ON EQUALITY, MUTUAL RESPECT, AND DUE CONSIDERATION FOR THEIR RESPECTIVE INTERESTS, SERVES THE CAUSE OF INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND STABILITY. THE TWO SIDES WILL BASE THEIR RELATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE UNDERSTANDING ACHIEVED AND IN THE SPIRIT OF THE P

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